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NAACP Hits Donovan Talk

NEW YORK, Oct. 31 (AP).

The president of the New York State NAACP has asked the State chairmen of the Democratic and Liberal Parties to disavow what he calls the "misrepresentation of their party platform pledges" by James B. Donovan's televised comments on civil rights.

Mr. Donovan, a New York attorney, is the Democratic-Liberal candidate for United States Senator. He is opposing Senator Javits, Republican of New York, in next Tuesday's general election.

In a televised debate with Senator Javits Sunday night, Mr. Donovan's comment "that he didn't see any need for more civil rights legislation indicated an inexcusable ignorance or disregard of the problems of minority groups in America," the NAACP official telegraphed the party chairmen yesterday.

Dr. Eugene Reed of Amityville, State president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, added in the telegrams:

"We call upon the Democratic Party and the State Liberal Party to disavow his misrepresentation of their party platform pledges."

Campaigning in Buffalo last night, Mr. Donovan dispatched a telegram to Basil Patterson, chairman of the New York City NAACP Political Action Committee, saying he regretted "if brevity of time last (Sunday) night could lead to a misunderstanding of my position."

He told Mr. Patterson: "I

stand wholeheartedly with your organization," and added that his "firm support of the Democratic-Liberal platform on civil rights has been and will continue to be unqualified."

The wire said his remark in the debate "was an answer to repeated attempts by my Republican adversary to detract from President Kennedy's magnificent handling of the Oxford, Miss., situation."